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**ASBESTOS CONSULTANT  
&  
SITE SURVEILLANCE  
TECHNICIAN  
CERTIFICATION  
APPLICATION PACKAGE**

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## **Application Background**

Beginning July 1, 1992, State law has required Asbestos Consultants and Site Surveillance Technicians to be certified by the Division of Occupational Safety and Health if they contract to provide professional health and safety services relating to asbestos containing construction materials which comprise 100 or more square feet of surface area. The regulations pertaining to certification are contained in Title 8, California Code of Regulations Division 1, Chapter 4, Subchapter 4, Section 1529 and Chapter 3.2, Article 2.6, Section 341.15.

This application is for Asbestos Consultants and Site Surveillance Technicians who are required to become certified or for qualified individuals who voluntarily wish to become certified. Enclosed are the necessary application forms, instructions for completing the forms and information needed to start the certification review process.

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**Application For Examination and Certification of  
Asbestos Consultants and Site Surveillance Technicians****CITIZEN STATUS**

Eligibility for certification as an Asbestos Consultant or Site Surveillance Technician is limited to United States citizens or nationals and to qualified aliens. In order to establish eligibility for the benefit of certification, it is necessary for applicants to complete and sign a "Statement of Citizenship, Alienage, and Immigration Status for State Public Benefits", form Cal/OSHA-W-1 (Attachment B). A copy of this form is included as an attachment with the Application Packet. The signed form and required documentation of status are a mandatory part of the certification process. The regulation which deals with eligibility for certifications is found in Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 344.85.

**REQUIRED FEE, AHERA CERTIFICATES, EXPERIENCE, AND EDUCATION****ASBESTOS CONSULTANT (CAC)**

Any person who contracts to provide professional health and safety services relating to asbestos containing construction material, which comprises 100 square feet or more of surface area, as defined in Title 8 California Code of Regulations 1529. The activities of an Asbestos Consultant include building inspection, abatement project design, contract administration, sample collection, preparation of asbestos management plans, clearance monitoring, and supervision of Site Surveillance Technicians.

**Required Fee:** \$500 (Payable to the Asbestos Consultant Certification Fund)

**Possession of Valid AHERA Training Certificates including:**

Initial Management Planner, Abatement Project Designer, and Abatement Contractor/Supervisor, as well as all subsequent annual refresher courses. (To be accredited as a Management Planner, the EPA requires Building Inspector accreditation as a prerequisite).

The AHERA training requirement can be fulfilled only by taking courses in the specified disciplines from a California DOSH approved trainer. This requirement is considered fulfilled if at least the most recent refresher certificates submitted with the application are issued by a DOSH approved training provider. All subsequent certificates submitted with renewal requests must likewise be from a DOSH approved trainer.

**Required Professional Work Experience and Education consisting of any one of the following:**

- A. One year of asbestos related experience and a Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering, Architecture, Industrial Hygiene, Construction Management, or a related biological or physical science; or
- B. Two years of asbestos related experience and a Bachelor's degree; or
- C. Three years of asbestos related experience and an Associate of Arts degree in Engineering, Architecture, Industrial Hygiene, Construction Management, or a related biological or physical science; or
- D. Four years of asbestos related experience and a High School Diploma or its equivalent.

**SITE SURVEILLANCE TECHNICIAN (CSST)**

Any person who acts as an independent on site representative of an Asbestos Consultant. The Site Surveillance Technician monitors the asbestos abatement activities of others, provides asbestos air monitoring services for area and personal samples, and performs building surveys and contract administration at the direction of an Asbestos Consultant.

**Required Fee:** \$400 (Payable to the Asbestos Consultant Certification Fund)

**Possession of valid AHERA Training Certificates including:**

Initial Building Inspector and Abatement Contractor/Supervisor, as well as all subsequent annual refresher courses.

## B. APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

**Note:** Certificates for Abatement Worker and Abatement Project Designer may be submitted instead of the Abatement Contractor/Supervisor certificate.

The AHERA training requirement can be fulfilled only by taking courses in the specified disciplines from a California DOSH approved trainer. This requirement is considered fulfilled if at least the most recent refresher certificates submitted with the application are issued by a DOSH approved training provider. All subsequent certificates submitted with renewal requests must likewise be from a DOSH approved trainer.

### **Required Work Experience and Education including:**

Six (6) months of asbestos related work experience under the supervision of a certified Asbestos Consultant and a High School Diploma or equivalent education. After three (3) months of qualifying work experience, an applicant may request to sit for the certification exam. However, the additional three (3) months of qualifying experience must be completed before the certification card can be issued to that person. The additional experience must be verified by the individual(s) having direct knowledge of the applicant's experience and must use form BP 7180A.

### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING FORM BP 7180 (ATTACHMENT A)**

Please complete all items of the application form and provide all attachments as explained below; Incomplete applications will delay the processing of your application. Please type or print legibly, in ink.

BP 7180. Item 1a: Please indicate the type of certification you are applying for; i.e., Asbestos Consultant or Site Surveillance Technician. Check only one box.

BP 7180. Items 1b through 9 are self-explanatory.

BP 7180. Item 10: Indicate your preferred location for taking the exam.

BP 7180. Item 11: List where and when your qualifying experience was obtained, and the specific duties you were assigned. If you have more than one employer where you obtained your experience, make additional copies of the second page (the signature page) of the application form. Use a separate sheet and complete Item 11 for each employer. Fill in Page \_\_\_ of \_\_\_ at the top of each sheet. Only technical work associated with asbestos consulting or site surveillance activities is considered qualifying experience. For example, secretarial, bookkeeping, or sales promotional work in an asbestos consulting firm is not considered qualifying experience. Estimate the percentage of your employment time that you performed technical work in Part B. For example, if you did bookkeeping work one half of the time and inspection work the remaining time, the percentage would be 50%. Your cumulative qualifying experience must meet the required duration of experience needed to qualify.

In Part 11-C, describe the technical duties you performed during this employment. Please have the individual(s) who will verify your qualifying work experience complete Form # BP 7180A.

BP 7180. Item 12: Please sign and date the application on the last page of the application form. . Also fill in the city and state where you signed this application. Make sure that all pages have been appropriately numbered by filling in Page \_\_\_ of \_\_\_ at the top of each sheet completed. **Please mail the completed application with all the required attachments to:**

**Division of Occupational Safety and Health  
Asbestos Consultant Certification Unit  
2211 Park Towne Circle, Suite 1  
Sacramento, CA 95825**

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING FORM BP 7180A (ATTACHMENT A)**

Ask the individual(s) verifying your professional work experience to complete form BP 7180A. Make additional copies of this form if you have more than one employer for your qualifying experience and use a separate sheet for each employer. The individuals may be former clients, associates, employer, supervisor, etc. The items to be completed on BP 7180A are self-explanatory.

**Additional Requirements for the Applicant**

A. Please attach payment of the required fee specified above. **Make the check or money order payable to the Asbestos Consultant Certification Fund.**

B. Attach copies of your **initial and subsequent refresher AHERA training Certificates** for all the training courses specified for the type of certification you are applying for.

C. Attach **proof** that you possess the **required educational qualifications** specified above. Acceptable proof is a copy of your diploma or official transcript indicating your graduation date and type of degree.

D. Attach proof that you possess the **required work experience** specified above by completing the back side of the application form BP 7180. If you use more than one sheet, fill in Page \_\_\_ of \_\_\_ at the top of each sheet. Ask the individual(s) verifying your experience to complete Form BP 7180A.

E. Please attach **two 1 1/2 by 1 1/2 inch, passport type only, color photographs, (no Polaroid film or other lightweight stock please)** of yourself taken within the past thirty days. Please write your name on the back of your photographs.

F. Supporting documents, transcripts, diplomas, etc. that are not written in English must be accompanied by a certified translation to be used for evaluation. Note: The Division will recognize any of the following as equivalent to possessing a high school diploma: 1) a GED (General Education Development) High School Equivalency Certificate; or, 2) submittal of a transcript showing completing of 12 semester units of college-level work; or 3) certification from a State Department of Education, local school board, or high school authorities that the applicant is considered to have education equivalent to graduation from high school.

If you pass the written examination, you will receive a certification card. The certification card will include the identity of the person certified, his/her photograph, the type of certification that the person is qualified for, his/her certification number, and the expiration date of the certification. The certification must be renewed on an annual basis to remain valid.

**Please Note: Be sure to keep originals and/or copies of all documents you send us for your records!**

**1. Processing of submitted Applications.**

**Within 15 business days** of receipt of your submitted application for certification, the Division will notify you that your application is complete, or that your application is incomplete and the Division will specify what additional information or documentation is needed. Within 45 business days from the date that the Division determined that your application is complete, the Division will send you a notice stating that you meet the qualification requirements to take the written examination, or that your application for certification is denied. The notice will also state the date, time, and location of your examination, or the reason for denial of your application.

**2. Refund requirements.**

The Division may refund 75% of the fee when an application is withdrawn by the applicant within 15 business days of the initial submission of the application. The Division may refund 50% of the fee when the Division determines that the applicant is not qualified to take the examination. The Division shall make no refund of the fee when a qualified applicant fails the written examination.

**3. Certification card.**

If you pass the written examination, you will receive a certification card. The certification card will include the identity of the person certified, his/her photograph, the type of certification that the person is qualified for, his/her certification number, and the expiration date of the certification. The certification must be renewed on an annual basis to remain valid.

**4. Re-examination requirements.**

Any applicant who fails the examination may take the next scheduled examination. The request shall be made to the Division in writing and must be accompanied by a reexamination fee in the amount of 50% of the application and examination fee specified in subsection (g) section 341.15, Article 2.6 of T8CCR. If an applicant fails the re-examination, and wants to continue seeking certification, a new application must be submitted.

a) ☐ Form **Cal/OSHA-W-1** signed and attached with documentation

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b) ☐ **Fee** attached

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c) ☐ **BP 7180** complete

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d) ☐ **BP 7180A** complete

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e) ☐ **Photographs** included

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f) ☐ **Diploma** or **transcript** attached

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g) AHERA **Management Planner** Certificate: (Required for Consultants only.)

☐ Initial course

☐ Refreshers

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h) AHERA **Project Designer** Certificate: (Required for Consultants only.)

☐ Initial course

☐ Refreshers

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i) AHERA **Contractor/Supervisor** Certificate:

☐ Initial course

☐ Refreshers

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j) AHERA **Building Inspector** Certificate:

☐ Initial course

☐ Refreshers

**Please Note: Be sure to keep originals and/or copies of all documents you send us for your records!**



Bring the letter scheduling your examination and current picture identification when you appear for the examination.

A battery operated calculator which is not of the alpha-programmable type will be helpful to you during the examination. Prior to the examination mail any application documents which will go into your file; Do not bring any application documents with you to the examination.

The examination is a closed book, multiple choice examination. There are 200 questions on the Asbestos Consultant Examination and 176 questions on the Site Surveillance Technician Examination. The time allowed for both examinations (excluding the check in and check out times) is 3 hours 40 minutes. **The examination questions pertain to the subjects described in (q)(2)(A) and (q)(3)(A) of section 1529 of Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations.** (See Section G of this application packet.) The minimum passing score is correctly answering 70% of all the questions in the examination.

The examination questions are based on a variety of sources such as applicable regulations, AHERA training coursework materials, U.S. EPA guidance documents, and experiential knowledge expected of practicing Asbestos Consultants and Site Surveillance Technicians.

Below are three questions, which are examples of what you may find in the examination; select the **BEST** answer for each question.

1. **EXAMPLE:** You are conducting air clearance sampling using PCM after abatement of 110 square feet of ACM in a sixth grade classroom. You draw 1000 liters of air through each filter at five liters per minute. You collect five samples from inside your work site. One field blank and one laboratory blank are included for analysis. According to EPA, you have proceeded:

- a. correctly.
- b. (X)\* incorrectly -- the total volume being drawn through each filter is too low.
- c. incorrectly--the volume being drawn through each filter per minute is too low.
- d. incorrectly--not the correct analytical procedure.

2. **EXAMPLE:** A negative pressure is one in which the \_\_\_\_\_ pressure in an enclosed work area is \_\_\_\_\_ than that of the outside environment.

- a. (X)\* static: lower
- b. static: higher
- c. dynamic: lower
- d. dynamic: higher

3. **EXAMPLE:** Which of the following statements about securing asbestos contaminated materials for disposal is true?

- a. Loaded bags should be dry-wiped before placement into second bags.
- b. (X)\* Loaded bags should be cleaned before entry into the load-out area.
- c. Loaded bags should be placed into second bags in the clean room.
- d. A worker moving clean bags to a transport vehicle does not need to wear a respirator.

\* (X) denotes the correct answer

**Please do not contact the Division of Occupational Safety and Health for any of the following references.**

For your Information, Title 8 regulations may be obtained from Barclays Law Publishers or free of charge by the Department of Industrial Relations from its web site at [www.dir.ca.gov/dosh](http://www.dir.ca.gov/dosh) and [www.epa.gov/asbestos](http://www.epa.gov/asbestos) . The telephone number of Barclays is (800) 888-3600. Other references may be obtained from the agencies authoring the reference; i.e., U.S. EPA, NIOSH, local air quality management districts, etc., through the internet or from a major public library.

California Code of Regulations. (It is by no means complete.)

- A. Sections 341 through 341.15. Permits Regulations for Asbestos related work, etc.
- B. Division 1, Chapter 4, Subchapter 4. Construction Safety Orders (especially Section 1529, Asbestos).
- C. Section 3203. Injury and Illness Prevention Program.
- D. Division 1, Chapter 4, Subchapter 7, Group 16. Control of Hazardous Substances.

U. S. EPA guidance documents; e.g., White Book, Purple Book, Green Book, Pink Book, etc.

Public Law; e.g., Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA), ASHAA, etc.

South Coast Air Quality Management District Rule 1403, Bay Area Air Quality Management District, etc.

Applicable building and fire codes; e.g., UBC, NFPA, etc.

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**Chapter 3.2. California Occupational Safety and Health Regulations (CAL/OSHA)  
Subchapter 2. Regulations of the Division of Occupational Safety and Health**

**Article 2.6. Asbestos Consultants and Site Surveillance Technicians**

**§341.15. Certification of Asbestos Consultants and Site Surveillance Technicians.**

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**(a) Scope and Application.**

Any individual performing services as an asbestos consultant or site surveillance technician as referenced and defined in section 1529(b) of Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations must apply for and obtain a certification pursuant to this article.

Note: This does not apply to individuals who perform preliminary site assessments or other such building inspection activities which may identify asbestos-containing construction materials but which are not for the primary purpose of finding asbestos-containing construction materials in buildings and evaluating the materials for the need of asbestos abatement.

**(b) Application for Examination and Certification.**

(1) Any individual desiring to be certified as set forth in subsection (a) of this section must submit an application for examination and certification as set forth herein. The application and all information and attachments shall be submitted under penalty of perjury, and accompanied by all applicable fees as set forth herein. No application will be accepted for processing by the Division unless accompanied by all required fees as set forth in subsection (c) herein.

Applications may be requested by calling (916) 574-2993, and shall be filed by mailing the completed application to the following address:

**DIVISION OF OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH  
ATTN: ASBESTOS CONSULTANT CERTIFICATION  
2211 PARK TOWNE CIRCLE, SUITE 1  
SACRAMENTO, CA 95825**

The application shall include:

(A) Type of certification desired: Asbestos Consultant or Site Surveillance Technician.

(B) Full name of the applicant including the name under which the individual will be conducting business under the certification, and any other names the applicant has used to conduct business as an asbestos consultant within five years previous to the date of the application.

(C) Birth date and Social Security Number.

(D) Address (Employment and Home).

(E) Telephone Number (Work and Home).

(F) 2 copies of 1 1/2" x 1 1/2" current color photograph of applicant (passport type taken within the past 30 days).

(G) Copies of valid certificates from AHERA training providers approved by the Division.

Note: The Division will publish a list of approved AHERA training providers.

(1) Asbestos consultant applicants shall submit copies of AHERA training certificates for management planner, abatement project designer, abatement contractor and supervisor, and all subsequent annual refresher courses. The complete abatement project designer course certificate will be required only for applications submitted after July 1, 1994.

Note: The project designer refresher course will be sufficient for applications submitted prior to July 1, 1994.

(2) Site surveillance technician applicants shall submit copies of AHERA training completion certificates for inspector, and abatement contractor and supervisor, and all subsequent annual refresher courses. Certificates for abatement worker and abatement project designer may be submitted in lieu of the abatement contractor and supervisor certificate.

(H) Required fee(s).

(I) Description of qualifications as required pursuant to section 1529(o) of Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations outlining the applicant's educational qualifications, (attach copy of diploma, official transcript, or other proof), and description of qualifying work experience as specified in Business and Professions Code sections 7184 and 7185. Qualifying work experience includes technical work associated with asbestos consulting activities. Written references attesting to the applicant's qualifying work experience which are certified under the penalty of perjury are required.

**(c) Examination Requirements for Certification.**

(1) All applicants must pass a written examination as set forth herein.

(2) The examination shall be a closed book written examination pertaining to the subjects described in (o)(6)(A) and (o)(7)(A) of section 1529 of Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations. The minimum passing score shall be correctly answering 70% of all the questions in the written examination.

(3) The examination shall be conducted at various locations as determined by the Division and administered at least annually or at other intervals when necessary.

**(d) Fees for Certification and Renewal.**

(1) Fees for asbestos consultant:

Application and Examination Fee \$500  
Annual Renewal Fee \$325

(2) Fees for site surveillance technician:

Application and Examination Fee \$400  
Annual Renewal Fee \$270

(3) All fees must be paid at the time the application is filed with the Division. Except as set forth in Part (5) of this subsection, all fees are non-refundable.

(4) All required fees shall be made payable to the Asbestos Consultant Certification Fund.

(5) The Division may refund 75% of the fee when an application is withdrawn by the applicant within 15 business days of the initial submission of the application. The Division may refund 50% of the fee when the Division determines that the applicant is not qualified to take the examination. The Division shall make no refund of the fee when a qualified applicant fails the written examination.

**(e) Processing of Application.**

(1) Within 15 business days of receipt of an application for certification, the Division shall inform the applicant in writing of its determination either that the application is complete or that it is deficient. The notice shall specify what additional information or documentation is necessary.

(2) Within 45 business days from the date the Division has determined an application is complete the Division shall:

(A) Inform the applicant that the application for certification is denied, specifying the reasons for the denial; or

(B) Inform the applicant that the qualification requirements of this article have been satisfied and that the applicant may take the required written examination; and,

(C) Inform the applicant of the date, time, and location of the examination.

**(f) Provisional Certification.**

(1) The Division may issue a provisional certification to an applicant when:

(A) The applicant has submitted a completed application and is qualified to take the written examination.

(B) The Division is not able to schedule an examination and issue the certification within 45 business days after the Division has found the application to be complete as set forth in subsection (c) above.

(2) The provisional certification card will authorize the applicant to perform services as an asbestos consultant or site surveillance technician. The provisional certification shall expire 15 days after the scheduled examination date of the applicant who receives the provisional certification.

(3) Only one provisional certification may be issued to an applicant.

**(g) Re-examinations.**

Within 30 days of notification, any applicant who fails the examination may take the next scheduled examination. The request shall be made to the Division in writing and accompanied by a re-examination fee in the amount of 50% of the application and examination fee specified in subsection (d) above. Any applicant who fails is entitled to retake the examination one time. If an applicant fails the examination twice the request for certification will be denied and the applicant must submit a new application.

**(h) Renewal or Replacement of Certification.**

(1) A certification issued pursuant to this article shall be valid for one year from the date of issuance as designated on the certification. Any individual certified under this article may renew the certification by filing a request for renewal with the Division at least 60 days prior to the expiration date of the certification. Any individual who fails to renew as required herein must submit a new application for certification.

(2) All requests for renewal must be submitted with a current photograph, copies of required AHERA refresher training certificates, and the required renewal fee specified in subsection (d) above.

(3) Any person whose certification card has been lost or mutilated may request a replacement card from the Division. Such request shall be in writing and accompanied with a current photograph and replacement fee in the amount of 30% of the annual renewal fee specified in (d) of this section.

**(i) Denial, Suspension, or Revocation of Certification.**

(1) The Division may for good cause deny certification to an applicant. Good cause shall be deemed to exist when the applicant does not satisfy the qualification requirements of this article or has failed the written examination.

(2) The Division may for good cause and after notice and hearing suspend or revoke the certification of a person certified pursuant to this section. Good cause shall be deemed to exist if the person certified has committed gross negligence or fraud, or engaged in repeated acts of negligence during the performance of activities subject to the certification.

Note: Revocation proceedings shall comply with the procedural requirements of Chapter 5 (commencing with section 11500) of Division 3 of Part 1 of Title 2 of the Government Code applicable to administrative adjudication.

(3) For denial or suspension of a certification, notice shall be given in writing and served upon the person certified at least 24 hours in advance of the hearing to suspend or revoke the certification. Service shall be by personal service or certified mail to the person's address as shown on the certification application or other address known to the Division. The notice shall specify the reasons for the action taken by the Division in order that the person may prepare for the hearing.

(4) Any applicant may appeal the denial, suspension or revocation to the Director. The appeal shall be in writing and made within 5 business days of receipt of the notification of the decision regarding the certification.

(5) The Director or authorized representative shall schedule a hearing within 5 business days of receipt of an appeal. The applicant shall have the burden of establishing that he/she qualifies for the certification at the hearing.

(6) Following the hearing the Director shall issue a decision. The Director's decision shall be final except for any rehearing or judicial review provided for by law. Requests for rehearings shall be filed with the Director within 5 business days of the Director's decision.

NOTE: Authority cited: Section 7180, Business and Professions Code; and Sections 60.5, 6308 and 9021.5, Labor Code.

Reference: Sections 7184 and 7185, Business and Professions Code; Sections 9021.5, 9021.6 and 9021.8, Labor Code; and Section 1529, Title 8, California Code of Regulations.

#### HISTORY

1. New article 2.6 and section filed 8-6-92; operative 8-6-92 (Register 92, No. 32).
2. Amendment of subsections (d)(1)-(2) filed 11-19-2001 as an emergency; operative 11-19-2001 (Register 2001, No.47). A Certificate of Compliance must be transmitted to OAL by 3-19-2002 or emergency language will be repealed by operation of law on the following day.
3. Certificate of Compliance as to 11-19-2001 order transmitted to OAL 3-4-2002 and filed 3-28-2002 (Register 2002, No.13).



**q) Certified Asbestos Consultants and Certified Site Surveillance Technicians.**

(1) The following definitions are applicable to subsection (q) only:

“Asbestos consultant” means any person who contracts to provide professional health and safety services relating to asbestos- containing construction material as defined in this subsection, which comprises 100 square feet or more of surface area. The activities of an asbestos consultant include building inspection, abatement project design, contract administration, sample collection, preparation of asbestos management plans, clearance monitoring, and supervision of site surveillance technicians as defined in this subsection.

“Asbestos-containing construction material” means any manufactured construction material which contains more than one tenth of 1 percent asbestos by weight.

“Certified asbestos consultant” means any asbestos consultant certified by the Division pursuant to this section.

“Certified site surveillance technician” means any surveillance technician certified by the Division pursuant to the section.

“Division” means the Division of Occupational Safety and Health of the California Department of Industrial Relations.

“Site surveillance technician” means any person who acts as an independent on-site representative of an asbestos consultant. The site surveillance technician monitors the asbestos abatement activities of others, provides asbestos air monitoring services for area and personal samples, and performs building surveys and contract administration at the direction of an asbestos consultant.

“State-of-the-art” means all asbestos abatement and control work procedures currently in use which have been demonstrated to be the most effective, reliable, and protective of workers health. As new procedures are developed which demonstrate greater effectiveness, reliability, and worker protection and thereby come into use, they become state-of-the-art.

**(2) Certified Asbestos Consultant Criteria.**

To obtain certification, an asbestos consultant must apply to the Division and complete all application requirements specified in Section 341.15. In order to qualify as an asbestos consultant, the applicant must meet all of the following requirements:

(A) Achievement of a passing score as determined by the Division on an examination approved or administered by the Division including, but not limited to, the following subjects:

1. The physical characteristics of asbestos;
2. The health effects of asbestos;

3. The regulatory requirements of the Division, the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, air quality management districts, and the Department of Health Services, including protective clothing, respiratory protection, exposure limits, personal hygiene, medical monitoring, disposal, and general industry safety hazards;

4. State-of-the-art asbestos abatement and control work procedures;

5. Federal Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act training information and procedures for inspectors, management planners, and supervisors, as provided for under Subchapter II (commencing with Section 2641) of Chapter 53 of Title 15 of the United States Code, or the equivalent, as determined by the Division; and

6. Information concerning industrial hygiene sampling methodology, including asbestos sampling and analysis techniques and recordkeeping.

(B) Providing such documentation and other information as the Division shall require to substantiate:

1. The possession of a valid and appropriate federal Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act [Subchapter II (commencing with Section 2641) of Chapter 53 of Title 15 of the United States Code] certificate, or its equivalent, as determined by the Division; and

2. Any one of the following combinations of education and experience:

A. One year of asbestos-related experience and a bachelor of science degree in engineering, architecture, industrial hygiene, construction management, or a related biological or physical science;

B. Two years of asbestos-related experience and a bachelor's degree;

C. Three years of asbestos-related experience and an associate of arts degree in engineering, architecture, industrial hygiene, construction management, or a related biological or physical science; or

D. Four years of asbestos-related experience and a high school diploma or its equivalent.

(3) Certified Site Surveillance Technician Criteria.

To obtain certification, a site surveillance technician must apply to the Division and complete all application requirements specified in Section 341.15. In order to qualify as a site surveillance technician, the applicant must meet all of the following requirements:

(A) Achievement of a passing score as determined by the Division on an examination approved or administered by the Division including, but not limited to, the following subjects:

1. The physical characteristics of asbestos;

2. The health effects of asbestos;

3. The regulatory requirements of the Division, the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, air quality management districts, and the Department of Health Services, including protective clothing, respiratory protection, exposure limits, personal hygiene, medical monitoring, disposal, and general industry safety hazards;

4. State-of-the-art asbestos abatement and control work procedures.

5. Information concerning industrial hygiene sampling methodology, including sampling techniques and recordkeeping.

(B) Providing such documentation and other information as the Division shall require to substantiate all of the following:

1. Possession of a valid federal Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act [Subchapter II (commencing with Section 2641) of Chapter 53 of Title 15 of the United States Code] certificate for the type of work being performed, or its equivalent, as determined by the Division.

2. Six (6) months of asbestos-related experience under the supervision of an asbestos consultant.

3. Possession of a high school diploma or equivalent.

(4) No employer shall engage the services of an asbestos consultant or site surveillance technician unless that person provides proof of certification by the Division.

State of California  
Department of Industrial Relations  
Division of Occupational Safety and Health

**Application for Examination and Certification of  
Asbestos Consultant or Site Surveillance Technician**

A completed application, including all required attachments, must be received three weeks before the date of the exam in order to assure admission to an examination. There is no assurance of admission to the exam when any of the required materials is received later than that, whether by fax or any other means. Follow accompanying instructions when completing this form. Type or print legibly in ink.

- 1a. **Application for:** ☐ **Asbestos Consultant** ☐ **Site Surveillance Technician**
- 1b. **Type:** ☐ **New/Never Certified** ☐ **Previously Certified** ☐ **Upgrade (from CSST to CAC)**
- 2a. **Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle Initial)
- 2b. **Other names or aliases used by Applicant during past five years: (If none, write none)**  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle Initial)
3. **Social Security Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_
- Please enter both home and work addresses below. Check preferred mailing address only:**
4. ☐ **Home address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip Code)
5. **Home telephone:** (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax:** (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_.
6. ☐ **Work address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of employer or if self-employed, business name)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip Code)
7. **Work telephone:** (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ **Ext:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax:** (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_.
8. **E-mail address:** \_\_\_\_\_
9. **Birth date:** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_
10. **Preferred location to take the exam (check one):** ☐ **Northern California** ☐ **Southern California**

**11. DESCRIPTION OF YOUR QUALIFYING WORK EXPERIENCE:**

List where and when your qualifying experience was obtained, and the specific duties you were assigned. If you have more than one employer where you obtained your experience, make additional copies of the next page and submit a separate page for each employer. Fill in Page\_\_ of \_\_ at the top of each page.

A. Company name of employer or, if self-employed, business name where experience was obtained:

\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(No./Street) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

Name of Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No.: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Ext: \_\_\_\_\_

Employment Dates:

From: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ To : \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_  
(Month) (Day) (Year) (Month) (Day) (Year) TOTAL MONTHS

B. Estimated percentage of employment time consisting of qualifying work associated with asbestos consulting or site surveillance activities = \_\_\_\_%.

C. Describe your specific duties associated with this employment:

**12. Declaration and Signature of Applicant:**

I hereby affirm under penalty of perjury that the information contained in this completed application including attachments are true and correct.

Dated at : \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.  
(City) (State)

Signature of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: Please review application submittal checklist on page 5. Mail completed application forms with all required attachments to:**

**Division of Occupational Safety and Health  
Asbestos Consultant Certification Unit  
2211 Park Towne Circle, Suite 1  
Sacramento, CA 95825**

**State of California**  
**Department of Industrial Relations**  
**Division of Occupational Safety and Health**

**VERIFICATION OF WORK EXPERIENCE**  
**of Applicant for Asbestos Consultant or Site Surveillance Technician Certification**  
**(Please type or print legibly in ink.)**

**I. Individual completing this Form and attesting to the applicant's qualifying work experience:**

A. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle Initial)

B. Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(No.) (Street)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State) (Zip Code)

C. Day time telephone number: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_.

D. Relationship of Individual to Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

**E. Dates and percentage of time performing asbestos related work experience described in III below:**

From: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ To : \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Time spent: = \_\_\_\_%  
(Month) (Day) (Year) (Month) (Day) (Year)

II. Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle Initial)

**III. Please review the definition of Asbestos Consultant and Site Surveillance Technician and describe your knowledge of Applicant's Qualifying Work Experience and the percentage of time devoted to qualifying work associated with asbestos consulting or site surveillance activities: (If more space is required, please continue on the back of this form.)**

**IV. Declaration and Signature of Individual:**

I hereby affirm under penalty of perjury that the above statements are true and correct.

Dated at: \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_.  
(City) (State) (Month)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

CAC number (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Document incorporated by reference

## Cal/OSHA-W-1

STATEMENT OF CITIZENSHIP, ALIENAGE, AND IMMIGRATION STATUS  
FOR STATE PUBLIC BENEFITS

Print Name of Applicant	Date
Print Name of Person Acting for Applicant, if any	Relationship to Applicant

**State Public Benefits to Citizens and Aliens**

Citizens and nationals of the United States, who meet all eligibility requirements for the benefits described in subsection 344.85 (b)(1)-(b)(6), must fill out Sections A and D.

Aliens, who meet all eligibility requirements for the benefits, as described in subsection 344.85 (b)(1)-(b)(6), must complete SECTIONS A, B, C, and D of this form.

**Section A: Citizenship/Immigration Status Declaration**

1. Is the applicant a citizen or national of the United States? Yes ☐ No ☐

If the answer to the above question is yes, where was he/she born? \_\_\_\_\_

(City/State)

2. To establish citizenship or nationality, please submit one of the documents on List A (attached hereto) which is legible and unaltered to establish proof.

*IF YOU ARE A CITIZEN OR NATIONAL OF THE UNITED STATES, GO DIRECTLY TO SECTION D. IF YOU ARE AN ALIEN, PLEASE COMPLETE SECTION B, OR IF APPLICABLE, SECTION C.*

**Section B: Alien Status Declaration**

**IMPORTANT:** Please indicate the applicant's alien status below, and submit documents evidencing such status. The alien status documents listed for each category are the most commonly used documents that the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) provides to aliens in those categories. You can provide other acceptable evidence of your alien status even if not listed below.

1. An alien lawfully admitted for permanent resident under the Immigration and Naturalization Act (INA). Evidence includes: ☐
  - INS Form I-551 (Alien Registration Receipt Card, commonly known as a "green card"); or
  - Unexpired Temporary I-551 stamp in foreign passport or on INS Form I-94.
2. An alien who is granted asylum under section 208 of the INA. Evidence includes: ☐
  - INS Form I-94 annotated with stamp showing grant of asylum under section 208 of the INA;

- INS Form I-688B (Employment Authorization Card) annotated “274a.12(a)(5)”;
  - INS Form I-766 (Employment Authorization Document) annotated “A5”;
  - Grant letter from the Asylum Office of INS; or
  - Order of an immigration judge granting asylum.
3. A refugee admitted to the United States under section 207 of the INA. □  
Evidence includes:
- INS Form I-94 annotated with stamp showing admission under section 207 of the INA;
  - INS Form I-688B (Employment Authorization Card) annotated “274a.12(a)(3)”;
  - INS Form I-766 (Employment Authorization Document) annotated “A3”; or
  - INS Form I-571 (Refugee Travel Document).
4. An alien paroled into the United States for at least one year under section 212(d)(5) of the INA. Evidence includes: □
- INS Form I-94 with stamp showing admission for at least one year under section 212(d)(5) of the INA. (Applicant cannot aggregate periods of admission for less than one year to meet the one-year requirement.)
5. An alien whose deportation is being withheld under section 243(h) of the INA (as in effect immediately prior to September 30, 1996) or Section 241 (b)(3) of such Act (as amended by section 305(a) of division C of Public Law 104-208). Evidence includes: □
- INS Form I-688B (Employment Authorization Card) annotated “274a.12(a)(10)”;
  - INS Form I-766 (Employment Authorization Document) annotated “A10”; or
  - Order from an immigration judge showing deportation withheld under section 243(h) of the INA as in effect prior to April 1, 1997, or removal withheld under section 241(b)(3) of the INA.
6. An alien who is granted conditional entry under section 203(A)(7) of the INA as in effect prior to April 1, 1980. Evidence includes: □
- INS Form I-94 with stamp showing admission under section 203(a)(7) of the INA;
  - INS Form I-688B (Employment Authorization Card) annotated “274a.12(a)(3)”;
  - INS Form I-766 (Employment Authorization Document) annotated “A3.”
7. An alien who is a Cuban or Haitian entrant (as defined in section 501(e) of the Refugee Education Assistance Act of 1980). Evidence includes: □
- INS form I-551 (Alien Registration Receipt Card, commonly known as a “green card”) with the code CU6, CU7, or CH6;
  - Unexpired temporary I-551 stamp in foreign passport or on INS Form I-94 with the code CU6 or CU7; or



- INS Form I-94 with stamp showing parole as “Cuban/Haitian Entrant” under section 212(d)(5) of the INA.

8. An alien paroled into the United States for less than one year under section 212(d)(5) of the INA. (Evidence includes INS Form I-94 showing this status.) ☐
9. An alien not in categories 1 through 8 who has been admitted to the United States for a limited period of time ( a non-immigrant). Non-immigrants are persons who have temporary status for a specific purpose. (Evidence includes INS Form I-94 showing this status.) ☐

### Section C: Declaration for Battered Aliens

**Important:** Complete this section if the applicant, the applicant’s child or the applicant child’s parent has been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty in the United States.

1. Has the INS or the EOIR granted a petition or application filed by or on behalf of the applicant, the applicant’s child, or the applicant’s child’s parent under the INA or found that a pending petition sets forth a prima facie case? Evidence includes one of the documents on List B (attached hereto) ☐
2. Has the applicant, the applicant’s child, or the applicant child’s parent been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty in the United States by a spouse or parent, or by a spouse’s or parent’s family member living in the same house (where the spouse or parent consented to, or acquiesced in the battery or cruelty)? ☐

### Section D:

I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA THAT THE ANSWERS I HAVE GIVEN ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

<hr/> Applicant’s Signature	<hr/> Date
<hr/> Signature of Person Acting for Applicant	<hr/> Date

## LIST A

A person who is a citizen or national of the United States.

### A. Primary Evidence

- A birth certificate showing birth in one of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico (on or after January 13, 1941), Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands (on or after January 17, 1917), American Samoa, Swain's Island or the Northern Mariana Islands, unless the person was born to foreign diplomats residing in the U.S.

Note: If the document shows that the individual was born in Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands or the Northern Mariana Islands before these areas became part of the U.S., the individual may be a collectively naturalized citizen-see Paragraph C below.

- United States passport (except limited passports, which are issued for periods of less than five years);
- Report of birth abroad of a U.S. citizen (FS-240) (issued by the Department of State to U.S. citizens);
- Certificate of birth (FS-545) (issued by a foreign service post) or Certification of Report of Birth (DS-1350) (issued by the Department of State), copies of which are available from the Department of State;
- Certificate of Naturalization (N-550 or N-570) (issued by the INS through a Federal or State court, or through administrative naturalization after December 1990 to individuals who are individually naturalized; the N-570 is a replacement certificate issued when the N-550 has been lost or mutilated or the individual's name has been changed);
- Certificate of Citizenship (N-560 or N-561) (issued by the INS to individuals who derive U.S. citizenship through a parent; the N-561 is a replacement certificate issued when the N-560 has been lost or mutilated or the individual's name has been changed);
- United States Citizen Identification Card (I-197) (issued by the INS until April 7, 1983 to U.S. citizens living near the Canadian or Mexican border who needed it for frequent border crossings) (formerly Form I-179, last issued in February 1974);
- Northern Mariana Identification Card (issued by the INS to a collectively naturalized citizen of the U.S. who was born in the Northern Mariana Islands before November 3, 1986);
- Statement provided by a U.S. consular officer certifying that the individual is a U.S. citizen (this is given to an individual born outside the U.S. who derives citizenship through a parent but does not have an FS-240, FS-545 or DS-1350); or
- American Indian Card with a classification code "KIC" and a statement on the back (identifying U.S. citizen members of the Texas Band of Kickapoos living near the U.S./Mexican border).

### B. Secondary Evidence

If the applicant cannot present one of the documents listed in A above, the following may be relied upon to establish U.S. citizenship or nationality:

- Religious record recorded in one of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico (on or after January 13, 1941), Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands (on or after January 17, 1917), American Samoa, Swain's Island or the Northern Mariana Islands (unless the person was born to foreign diplomats residing in such a jurisdiction) within three months after birth showing that the birth occurred in such jurisdiction and the date of birth or the individual's age at the time the record was made;
- Evidence of civil service employment by the U.S. government before June 1, 1976;
- Early school records (preferably from the first school) showing the date of admission to the school, the child's date and place of birth, and the name(s) and place(s) of birth of the parent(s);

- Census record showing name, U.S. citizenship or a U.S. place of birth, and date of birth or age of applicant;
- Adoption Finalization Papers showing the child's name and place of birth in one of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico (on or after January 13, 1941), Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands (on or after January 17, 1917), American Samoa, Swain's Island or the Northern Mariana Islands (unless the person was born to foreign diplomats residing in such a jurisdiction) or, where adoption is not finalized and the State or other jurisdiction listed above in which the child was born will not release a birth certificate prior to final adoption, a statement from a state-approved adoption agency showing the child's name and place of birth in one of such jurisdictions (NOTE: the source of the information must be an original birth certificate and must be indicated in the statement); or
- Any other document that establishes a U.S. place of birth or in some way indicates U.S. citizenship (e.g., a contemporaneous hospital record of birth in that hospital in one of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico (on or after January 13, 1941), Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands (on or after January 17, 1917), American Samoa, Swain's Island or the Northern Mariana Islands (unless the person was born to foreign diplomats residing in such a jurisdiction)).

### **C. Collective Naturalization**

If the applicant cannot present one of the documents listed in A or B above, the following will establish U.S. citizenship for collectively naturalized individuals:

Puerto Rico:

- Evidence of birth in Puerto Rico on or after April 11, 1899 and the applicant's statement that he or she was residing in the U.S., a U.S. possession or Puerto Rico on January 13, 1941; or
- Evidence that the applicant was a Puerto Rican citizen and the applicant's statement that he or she was residing in Puerto Rico on March 1, 1917 and that he or she did not take an oath of allegiance to Spain.

U.S. Virgin Islands:

- Evidence of birth in the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the applicant's statement of residence in the U.S., a U.S. possession or the U.S. Virgin Islands on February 25, 1927;
- The applicant's statement indicating resident in the U.S. Virgin Islands as a Danish citizen on January 17, 1917 and residence in the U.S., a U.S. possession or the U.S. Virgin Islands on February 25, 1927, and that he or she did not make a declaration to maintain Danish citizenship; or
- Evidence of birth in the U.S. Virgin Islands and the applicant's statement indicating residence in the U.S., a U.S. possession or territory or the Canal Zone on June 28, 1932.

Northern Mariana Islands (NMI) [formerly part of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (TTPI)]:

- Evidence of birth in the NMI, TTPI citizenship and residence in the NMI, the U.S., or a U.S. territory or possession on November 3, 1986 (NMI local time) and the applicant's statement that he or she did not owe allegiance to a foreign state on November 4, 1986 (NMI local time);
- Evidence of TTPI citizenship, continuous residence in the NMI since before November 3, 1981 (NMI local time), voter registration prior to January 1, 1975 and the applicant's statement that he or she did not owe allegiance to a foreign state on November 4, 1986 (NMI local time); or
- Evidence of continuous domicile in the NMI since before January 1, 1974 and the applicant's statement that he or she did not owe allegiance to a foreign state on November 4, 1986 (NMI local time). Note: If a person entered the NMI as a nonimmigrant and lived in the NMI since January 1, 1974, this does not constitute continuous domicile and the individual is not a U.S. citizen.

### **D. Derivative Citizenship**

If the applicant cannot present one of the documents listed in A or B above, you should make a determination of derivative U.S. citizenship in the following situations:

Applicant born abroad to two U.S. citizen parents:

- Evidence of the U.S. citizenship of the parents and the relationship of the applicant to the parents, and evidence that at least one parent resided in the U.S. or an outlying possession prior to the applicant's birth.

Applicant born abroad to a U.S. citizen parent and a U.S. non-citizen national parent:

- Evidence that one parent is a U.S. citizen and that the other is a U.S. non-citizen national, evidence of the relationship of the applicant to the U.S. citizen parent, and evidence that the U.S. citizen parent resided in the U.S., a U.S. possession, American Samoa or Swain's Island for a period of at least one year prior to the applicant's birth.

Applicant born out of wedlock abroad to a U.S. citizen mother:

- Evidence of the U.S. citizenship of the mother, evidence of the relationship to the applicant and, for births on or before December 24, 1952, evidence that the mother resided in the U.S. prior to the applicant's birth or, for births after December 24, 1952, evidence that the mother had resided, prior to the child's birth, in the U.S. or a U.S. possession for a period of one year.

Applicant born in the Canal Zone or the Republic of Panama:

- A birth certificate showing birth in the Canal Zone on or after February 26, 1904 and before October 1, 1979 and evidence that one parent was a U.S. citizen at the time of the applicant's birth; or
- A birth certificate showing birth in the Republic of Panama on or after February 26, 1904 and before October 1, 1979 and evidence that at least one parent was a U.S. citizen and employed by the U.S. government or the Panama Railroad Company or its successor in title.

All other situations where an applicant claims to have a U.S. citizen parent and an alien parent, or claims to fall within one of the above categories but is unable to present the listed documentation:

- If the applicant is in the U.S., refer him or her to the local INS office for determination of U.S. citizenship;
- If the applicant is outside the U.S., refer him or her to the State Department for a U.S. citizenship determination.

#### **E. Adoption of Foreign-Born Child by U.S. Citizen**

- If the birth certificate shows a foreign place of birth and the applicant cannot be determined to be a naturalized citizen under any of the above criteria, obtain other evidence of U.S. citizenship;
- Since foreign-born adopted children do not automatically acquire U.S. citizenship by virtue of adoption by U.S. citizens, refer the applicant to the local INS district office for a determination of U.S. citizenship if the applicant provides no evidence of U.S. citizenship.

#### **F. U.S. Citizenship By Marriage**

**A woman acquired U.S. citizenship through marriage to a U.S. citizen before September 22, 1922. Ask for: Evidence of U.S. citizenship of the husband, and evidence showing the marriage occurred before September 22, 1922.**

**Note:** If the husband was an alien at the time of the marriage, and became naturalized before September 22, 1922, the wife also acquired naturalized citizenship. If the marriage terminated, the wife maintained her U.S. citizenship if she was residing in the U.S. at that time and continued to reside in the U.S.

## **LIST B**

### **A. Documentation Evidencing an Approved Petition or Application**

- If an alien claiming approved status presents a code different than those enumerated, or if you cannot determine the class of admission from the I-551 stamp, file INS Form G-845, and the G-845 Supplement (mark item six on the Supplement) along with a copy of the document(s) presented, with the local INS office in order determine whether the applicant gained his or her status because he or she was the spouse, widow, or child of a U.S. citizen or the spouse, child, or unmarried son or daughter of a LPR (lawful permanent resident).
- INS Form I-551 ("Resident Alien Card" or "Alien Registration Receipt Card", commonly known as a "green card") with one of the following INS class of admission ("COA") codes printed on the front of a white card or the back of a pink card: AR1, AR6, C20 through C29, CF1, CF2, CR1, CR2, CR6, CR7, CX1 through CX3, CX6 through CX8, F20 through F29, FX1 through FX3, FX6 through FX8, IF1, IF2, IR1 through IR4, IR6 through IR9, IW1, IW2, IW6, IW7, MR6, MR7, P21 through P23, or P26 through P28.
- INS Form I-551 with one of the following COA codes stamped on the lower left side of the back of a pink card: IB1 through IB3, IB6 through IB8, B11, B12, B16, B17, B20 through B29, B31 through B33, B36 through B38, BX1 through BX3, or BX6 through BX8.
- INS Form I-551 with COA code Z13.
- Unexpired Temporary I-551 stamp in foreign passport or on INS Form I-94 with one of the COA codes specified in the Subsections (1)-(3), above.
- INS Form I-797 indicating approval of an INS I-130 petition (only I-130 petitions describing the following relationships may be accepted: husbands or wives of U.S. citizens or LPRs, unmarried children under 21 years old of U.S. citizens or LPRs, or unmarried children 21 or older of LPRs), or approval of an I-360 petition (only I-360 approvals based on status as a widow/widower of a U.S. citizen or as a self-petitioning spouse or child of an abusive U.S. citizen or LPR may be accepted).
- A final order of an Immigration Judge or the Board of Immigration Appeals granting suspension of deportation under section 244(a)(3) of the INA as in effect prior to April 1, 1997, or cancellation of removal under section 240A(b)(2) of the INA.

### **B. Documentation Demonstrating that the Applicant has Established a Prima Facie Case**

- INS Form I-797 indicating that the applicant has established a prima facie case; or
- An immigration court or Board of Immigration Appeals order indicating that the applicant has established a prima facie case for suspension of deportation under INA section 244(a)(3) as in effect prior to April 1, 1997, or cancellation of removal under section 240A(b)(2) of the INA.

### **C. Documentation Indicating that the Applicant has Filed a Petition or that a Petition has been Filed on the Applicant's Behalf, as Applicable, but with no Evidence of Approval of the Petition or Establishment of a Prima Facie Case.**

The benefit provider shall determine from the documentation when the petition was filed and take the actions set forth below:

- Applicants with petitions filed before June 7, 1997 should have an INS Form I-797 indicating filing of the I-360 petition by "self-petitioning spouse [or child] of abusive U.S.C. or LPR," a file-stamped copy of the petition, or another document demonstrating filing (including a cash register or computer-generated receipt indicating filing of Form I-360).
- Applicants with petitions filed after June 7, 1997 should have an INS Form I-797 indicating filing of the I-360 petition.

### **D. Documentation Indicating that the Applicant has filed a Petition or that a Petition was filed on His or Her Behalf, as Applicable**

The following must indicate that the applicant is the widow/widower of a U.S. citizen, the husband or wife of a U.S. Citizen or LPR, the unmarried child under age 21 of a U.S. citizen or LPR, or the unmarried child age 21 or older of an LPR):

- For aliens on whose behalf a petition has been filed: INS Form I-797 indicating filing of an INS I-130 petition, a file-stamped copy of the petition, or another document demonstrating filing (including a cash register computer-generated receipt indicating filing of Form I-130) (a sample copy of Form I-130 is attached to this Exhibit).
- For self-petitioning widows or widowers: a file-stamped copy of the INS I-360 petition, or another document demonstrating filing (including a cash register or computer-generated receipt indicating filing of Form I-360).

**E. Documentation Indicating that the INS has Initiated Deportation or Removal Proceedings in which Relief may be Available**

- an "Order to Show Cause";
- a "Notice to Appear"; or
- a "Notice of Hearing in Deportation Proceedings."

**F. Minimal or no Documentation Regarding the Claimed Filing**

If the applicant has some documentation, but it is insufficient to demonstrate filing, establishment of prima facie case or approval of a petition, fax the INS Request Form on your agency letterhead, as well as a copy of any document(s) provided by the applicant, to the INS Vermont Service Center in order to determine the applicant's status. If the applicant has no documentation, but is certain that a petition has been filed by his or her spouse or parent, you should fax the INS Request Form to the INS Vermont Service Center.